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ADJUTANT GENERAL AND CHIEF IF STAFF

TO

GEN. BENNETT H. YOUNG

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, U. C. V.

MAY 28, 1914

A BRIEF SUMMARY OF MATTERS CONNECTED WITH HIS OFFICE DURING TWELVE MONTHS

REPORT OF ADJUTANT-GENERAL

OFFICE OF ADJUTANT GENERAL,
UNITED CONFEDERATE VETERANS,

NEW ORLEANS, LA., April 28, 1914.

GENERAL BENNETT H. YOUNG,

General Commanding, United Confederate Veterans, Louisville, Ky.:

The affairs of my office continue in the ordinary condition, and, aside from the unprecedented death rate among the survivors of the Confederate Armies, there is nothing of an unusual or startling nature to chronicle. Matters move on in the usual way, and the steady reduction in our membership is painfully to be noted.

Payment of Dues by Camps.

It is a pleasure to be able to say that the dues of Camps are paid with customary promptness and cheerfulness, but it is sad to note the diminution in amount. Officers report a feeling of lethargy among their members, disinclination to attend meetings, and general indifference on all subjects. When it is recalled that the faculties become dimmed with advancing years, and that but few Veterans are under seventy-five years of age, this feeling is easily understood, but viewed with intense sorrow.

Officers.

While the great majority of the officers take no interest in the Association, beyond wearing bright uniforms with abundance of gold lace at Reunions, and make no contributions toward the maintenance of these Headquarters, there are others who have been steady and cheerful sustainers of the cause ever since the Finance Committee appealed to them in 1903 to make these annual contributions. Too much praise cannot be given them for this patriotic and generous spirit.

Camps.

Necessarily, there were but a few Camps organized during the past twelve months, yet it is gratifying to note that there were a limited number of charters issued. There have been added since my last report nine new Camps, distributed as follows: Georgia, two; Texas, two; North Carolina, Louisiana, Alabama, Kentucky and Pacific, each one. In the South Carolina Division one Camp was revived, making a total of ten. There have been dropped from inanition twenty-seven, and voluntarily withdrawn, one, making a net loss of eighteen. Considering all conditions, this is a satisfactory showing. With these changes the following will show the present standing of the various Divisons:

Summary of Camps by Divisions.

(Arranged According to the Present Number on Roster.)

DIVISION.	Number Alive Last Report.	Added During Year 1913-14 and Reinstated.	Dropped for Non-payment of Dues This Year.	Net Now on Roster.
Texas	197	2	4	194*
Georgia	136	2	1	137
Mississippi	84	0	0	84
Alabama	80	1	4	77
Kentucky	75	1	2	74
Arkansas	69	0	0	69
South Carolina	70	1	4	67
Virginia	63	0	0	63
North Carolina	62	1	2	61
Tennessee	58	0	0	58
Oklahoma	57	0	1	56
Louisiana	48	1	2	47
Florida	47	0	0	47
Missouri	41	0	1	47†
West Virginia	23	0	0	23
Pacific	14	1	0	16¶
Maryland	12	0	0	12
Northwest	14	0	7	0‡
Totals	1150	10	28	1132

* 1 transferred to Pacific Division.

† 7 transferred from Northwest Division.

¶ 1 transferred from Texas Division.

‡ 7 transferred to Missouri Division.

Summary of Camps by Departments.

	This Year.	Last Year.
Army of Tennessee	524	528
Trans-Mississippi	382	392
Army of Northern Virginia	226	230
Totals	1132	1150

Total Camps Chartered.

As per last report	1783
This year	9
Total Number Chartered	1792

District of Columbia belongs to Maryland Division.

Illinois, Ohio and Indiana are part of the Kentucky Division.

Pacific Divison includes New Mexco, California, Colorado, Arizona and Kansas.

Missouri Division includes Montana, Washington and Oregon.

A Dead Division.

For the first time in the history of the organization, I have to report that a Division has ceased to exist. The Division of the Northwest, its number of Camps having fallen below the constitutional requirement, was disbanded, and its few remaining Camps assigned to another Division. This is peculiarly pathetic from the fact that for many years, under the capable and faithful administration of Major General Paul A. Fusz, it was the only Division in the Association in which all the Camps paid their dues in full.

Finances.

Below is a summary of the cash receipts and expenditures (itemized report of which I shall gladly supply on application) for the year 1913.

RECEIPTS.

Dues from Camps	$3,575.05
Dues from Officers	1,549.50
Commissions	163.00
Donations	44.05
Sale of Documents, Badges, etc.	277.65
	$5,600.25

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries (including amounts paid for extra help at and immediately preceding the Reunion)	$3,220.00
Printing and Stationery	1,158.12
Postage	252.09
Rent	585.00
Miscellaneous	325.42
	$5,540.54

Bound Volumes.

I continue the issuance of bound volumes of the publications of the Association, for preservation for the use of the historian of the future. In the pamphlet state, they would wear away, be torn or mutilated, and thus lost; but bound, they will be preserved in the libraries of the country. There are six bound volumes of the Minutes and two of the Orders, which sell at $2.50 per volume.

Our Dead.

In no previous year of our history has the mortality among our associates been so appalling. With stoic indifference, the Grim Reaper has mowed down our ranks as they were on the battle field in time of war. Gen. Simon Bolivar Buckner, the last Lieutenant-General of the Confederate Armies, heads the list; while the toll from your Staff is something frightful: Brig. Gen. Chas. E. Hooker, Brig. Gen. Ashley Horn, Brig. Gen. Price Williams, Assistant Adjutants General; Col. P. H. Fall, Col. J. F. Johnston, Col. C. D. W. McNeill, Col. W. P. Manning, Col. A. T. Holt, Col. Rufus J. Polk, Col. Ansel Bank Smith, Col. E. H. McDonald, Col. Harrison Watts, Col. S. A. Cunningham, Col. T. W. Castleman, Col. W. G. Coyle, Aids-de-Camp.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. E. Mickle.

Adjutant General and Chief of Staff.

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